

HEINE HINTS PLEA TO WHITE HOUSE

Secrecy Rule Blocks Action In Slander Suit

Lawyers for Erik Heine, who have been blocked in a \$110,000 slander suit filed in Federal Court because of a secrecy rule, indicated yesterday they would go to the White House seeking relief.

Mr. Heine, of Rexdale, Canada, is suing a Maryland resident on grounds he was defamed among Estonian nationals by statements that ruined his career as a lecturer.

Proceedings in the case, filed against Juri Raus, of Prince Georges county, are halted by refusal of the Central Intelligence Agency to allow Mr. Raus to testify.

The CIA has admitted that Mr. Raus was furnished information to disseminate to Estonian emigre groups in his capacity as an officer of various organizations.

Hearing On Motion Set

However, the CIA has refused to allow Mr. Raus to discuss what he was told or be crossexamined in proceedings before Chief Judge Roszel C. Thomsen.

A hearing on a motion to dismiss the case is scheduled in Federal Court on Friday.

Mr. Heine filed notice with the court that he would take the case to Harry C. McPherson, special counsel to President Johnson on national security matters.

Review Wanted

The White House attorney will be asked to review the case and determine whether the CIA has properly invoked the secrecy rule to prevent the case from proceeding.

Mr. Heine claims he fought against the Communist take-over of his country in 194 and lectures on his exploits to various Estonian groups in this country and Canada.